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SUBJECT: PROPOSED REGULATIONS GOVERNING INFORMATION ON
COSMETICS TO BE PROVIDED TO CANADIAN DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND WELFARE

1. MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELFARE LALONDE ANNOUNCED
OCTOBER 25 PROPOSED REGULATIONS REQUIRING ALL COSMETICS
MANUFACTURERS TO SUBMIT FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO
HEALTH PROTECTION BRANCH WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER FIRST
SALE OF A PRODUCT:

- (A) NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MANUFACTURER SHOWN ON LABEL
- (B) NAME OF THE COSMETIC
- (C) FUNCTION OF THE COSMETIC
- (D) IF MANUFACTURED BY ANOTHER PERSON OR FIRM, THE NAME AND
ADDRESS OF THAT PERSON OR FIRM
- (E) COMPLETE QUANTITATIVE FORMULA
- (F) FORM OF THE COSMETIC, E.G. POWDER, CREAM, LOTION
- (G) NAME AND ADDRESS OF CANADIAN DISTRIBUTOR
- (H) DATE OF INTRODUCTION TO THE CANADIAN MARKET
- (I) LABELS AND INSERTS ACCOMPANYING THE PRODUCT
- (J) SIGNATURE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED BY THE MANUFACTURER TO SUBMIT
THE NOTIFICATION.

2. IN ADDITION, MANUFACTURERS OF COSMETICS WILL BE
REQUIRED TO NOTIFY HEALTH PROTECTION BRANCH WHEN THE
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COSMETIC IS WITHDRAWN FROM SALE OR WHEN THE FORMULATION OR

USE OR THE NAME OF THE COSMETIC IS CHANGED.

3. PROPOSED REGULATIONS, ACCORDING TO LALONDE'S ANNOUNCEMENT, WILL ENABLE HEALTH PROTECTION BRANCH TO GIVE BETTER PROTECTION TO THE PUBLIC WITH REGARD TO COSMETICS. FOR EXAMPLE, IF A CHEMICAL SUBSTANCE IS FOUND TO BE HAZARDOUS TO HEALTH, HEALTH AND WELFARE WILL BE ABLE TO ACT QUICKLY IN RECALLING ALL COSMETICS CONTAINING THAT HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.

4. ALL COSMETIC MANUFACTURERS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON THESE PROPOSED REGULATIONS BY NOVEMBER 24 REPEAT NOVEMBER 24, 1973. COMMENTS OF US MANUFACTURERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF DRUGS, DRUGS DIRECTORATE, HEALTH PROTECTION BRANCH, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, 355 RIVER ROAD, VANIER, ONTARIO, CANADA K1A 1B8.

5. DRAFTING OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS NOT YET COMPLETED BUT INTENT OUTLINED IN INFORMATION LETTER RELEASED OCTOBER 24. COPIES BEING AIRPOUCHED TODAY TO COMMERCE, OIM, O'CONNOR.
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